

SENATE WATCH

A summary of today's Senate actions; published daily when the Senate is in session.

9/8/05

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

SB 373 (McManus) SB 620 (Patterson)

SB 373 and SB 620 would prohibit computer-assisted shooting with a bow or cross-bow and establish misdemeanor penalties for computer-assisted shooting violations both with a bow and with a firearm.

- The Senate concurred with the House changes to SB 373 [RC 387: 37 yes, 0 no]. Immediate Effect was given to the bill.
- The Senate concurred with the House changes to SB 620 [RC 388: 37 yes, 0 no]. Immediate Effect was given to the bill.

HB 4436 (Hummel)

Supplemental budget

• The Senate concurred with the House changes to HB 4436 [RC 386: 37 yes, 0 no].

FINAL PASSAGE

SB 470 (Cropsey)

SB 470 would extend for two additional years court fees enacted in 2003. Combined, those fees bring in an estimated \$2.7 million per year.

- SB 470 was moved to 3rd Reading. No amendments. (9/7)
- Cropsey 1 (S-1) was adopted [no RC]. (9/8)
- SB 470 passed [RC 393: 37 yes, 0 no].

SBs 548-50 (Johnson)

SB 548, SB 549 and SB 550, would each, beginning October 1, 2005, earmark funds to the Secretary of State Transportation Administration Collection Fund. SB 548 would direct funds collected from the sale of records of state identification cards to the TACF. SB 549 would amend the vehicle code and SB 550 would earmark funds from the sale of ORV, snowmobile and watercraft registrations records. Currently revenues from these sources are used to pay the expenses incurred by the secretary of state in providing this service and then any

surplus goes to the General Fund. These bills, if enacted, would mean any revenues above expenses would stay in the TACF for use by the Secretary of State in future years.

SB 548:

- *Committee (S-1) was adopted. (9/7)*
- SB 548 was moved to 3rd Reading.
- SB 548 passed [RC 390: 37 yes, 0 no]. (9/8)

SB 549:

- Committee (S-1) was adopted. (9/7)
- SB 549 was moved to 3rd Reading.
- SB 549 passed [RC 391: 37 yes, 0 no]. (9/8)

SB 550:

- Committee (S-1) was adopted. (9/7)
- SB 550 was moved to 3rd Reading.
- SB 550 passed [RC 392: 37 yes, 0 no]. (9/8)

SB 658 (Allen)

SB 658 would allow the Bay View association own or hold up to 1,000 acres of land, rather than the 350 acres currently allowed. The township surrounding the Bay View Association has grown significantly over the years, and some people are worried that increasing development could spill into the colony's main campus area. At 337 acres, the colony is approaching its maximum allowable size. Increasing the acreage limit would give the Association the flexibility it needs to create a buffer zone against growth by obtaining more of the surrounding land. This would help to preserve the colony's historical character and ensure the continuation of its mission through its programs and activities.

- SB 658 was moved to 3rd Reading. No amendments. (8/31)
- Allen 1 was adopted [no RC]. (9/8)
- SB 658 passed [RC 389: 37 yes, 0 no].